

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 12-22 without prejudice and add the following claims:--

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~~23. A telescopic boom mounted for pivoting about a horizontal pivot axis on a mounting bracket arranged on a vehicle, which comprises two box girders extending in a longitudinal direction in upwardly arched arcs of a circle and a first one of the box girders being guided in a second one of the box girders for displacement in the longitudinal direction, the upwardly arched arcs of a circle having a common axis extending parallel to the pivot axis, and a servo-drive for displacing the box girders relative to each other.~~

~~24. The telescopic boom of claim 23, wherein the two box girders have ends interengaging with play, comprising two slideways pivotal about axes extending parallel to the pivot axis, one of the slideways being supported at a top of the end of the first box girder and the other slideway being supported at a bottom of the end of the second box girder.~~

~~25. The telescopic boom of claim 23, wherein the first box girder has an end extending into an end of the second box girder and the servo-drive comprises two fluid-operated~~

cylinders for displacing the box girders relative to each other, each cylinder having one end linked to an outer end of a respective one of the box girders and an opposite end linked to a common slider mounted displaceably in the end of the first box girder.

26. The telescopic boom of claim 23, wherein the servo-drive comprises a rack extending along one of the box girders and a driving pinion mounted on the other box girder, the driving pinion meshing with the rack.

27. The telescopic boom of claim 23, wherein the first box girder has an upper and a lower arcuate wall, the upper and lower arcuate walls having laterally projecting longitudinal edges guided along the second box girder.

28. The telescopic boom of claim 27, wherein longitudinal channels are defined between the laterally projecting longitudinal edges of the upper and lower arcuate box girder walls, and the servo-drive is arranged in at least one of the longitudinal channels and comprises a rack extending along one of the box girders and a driving pinion mounted on the other box girder, the driving pinion meshing with the rack.

29. The telescopic boom of claim 23, wherein an outer end of the first box girder carries a pivotally adjustable cantilever arm.

30. The telescopic boom of claim 29, wherein the cantilever arm is extensible.

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31. The telescopic boom of claim 23, further comprising a third box girder mounted for pivoting about the horizontal pivot axis on the mounting bracket and extending in a longitudinal direction in the upwardly arched arcs of a circle of the two box girders and the second box girder being guided in the third box girder for displacement in the longitudinal direction.

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32. ~~The telescopic boom of claim 23, wherein the box girders form a tunnel accommodating a walker and/or a driver.~~

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33. ~~A vehicle capable of accommodating a removable bin having lateral sides, which comprises a telescopic boom mounted for pivoting about a horizontal pivot axis on a mounting bracket arranged on the vehicle, the telescoping boom comprising two box girders extending in a longitudinal direction in upwardly arched arcs of a circle and a first one of the box girders being guided in a second one of the box~~

girders for displacement in the longitudinal direction, the upwardly arched arcs of a circle having a common axis extending parallel to the pivot axis, a pivotal head attached to an outer end of the first box girder, a cross-beam mounted on the pivotal head, a traction mechanism connected to the cross-beam, the traction mechanism comprising a pair of traction elements at respective ends of the cross-beam for gripping the lateral sides of the removable bin, at least one of the traction elements of each pair of traction elements being adjustable relative to the other traction element of said pair, and a servo-drive for displacing the box girders relative to each other.

34. The vehicle of claim 33, further comprising hydraulic jacks arranged in the cross-beam and having ends thereof connected to the adjustable traction elements for adjusting the same.